

adds training for veterans centers to improve outreach to veterans in areas of high unemployment at the Veterans Development Summit; **Page H5855**

Himes amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 111–121) that requires the Small Business Administrator to establish and carry out a “Microenterprise Training Center Program” for the purpose of providing low-income and unemployed individuals with training and counseling with respect to starting a microenterprise; **Pages H5855–56**

Murphy (NY) amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 111–121) that increases the grant sizes for “initial grants” and “growth funding grants” for each veterans business center by \$50,000 per year per center to \$200,000 and \$150,000 respectively. In addition, the amendment increases the authorized appropriations to carry out this subsection by \$2,000,000 each per year to \$12,000,000 in fiscal year 2010 and \$14,000,000 in fiscal year 2011;

**Pages H5857–58**

Nye amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 111–121) that adds a new title (Military Entrepreneurs Program) to require the Small Business Administration to establish and carry out a program to provide business counseling and entrepreneurial development assistance to members of the Armed Forces to facilitate the development of small business concerns. The amendment establishes a liaison to facilitate outreach to members of the Armed Forces with respect to business counseling and entrepreneurial development assistance; **Pages H5858–59**

Schauer amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 111–121) that creates a new section and authorizes funding for small business development centers to assist small manufacturers that are transitioning into growth sectors; and **Page H5859**

Kratovil amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 111–121) that establishes a Rural Entrepreneurship Advisory Council within the Small Business Administration, comprised of appropriate officials from the SBA, the rural development programs of the Department of Agriculture, and the Department of Commerce and of representatives from the academic, small business, agriculture, and high-tech communities. The council is tasked with providing a report to Congress on rural entrepreneurship, and to provide ongoing advice and recommendations to foster rural entrepreneurs (by a recorded vote of 427 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 279).

**Pages H5856–57, H5860–61**

Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House. **Page H5863**

H. Res. 457, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 247 yeas to 175 noes, Roll No. 275, after agreeing to

order the previous question by a yeas-and-nays vote of 244 yeas to 175 nays with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 274. **Pages H5822–23**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 4:06 p.m. and reconvened at 5:17 p.m. **Page H5860**

**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared with respect to the stabilization of Iraq is to continue in effect beyond May 22, 2009—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 111–42).

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**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H5795, H5871.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four yeas-and-nays votes and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5822, H5822–23, H5823, H5840, H5841, H5841–42, H5860–61, H5861–62 and H5862–63. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on Department of Defense. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Robert Gates, Secretary; ADM Michael Mullen, USN, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; and Robert Hale, Comptroller.

### **FINANCIAL SERVICES GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Services, General Government, and Related Agencies held a hearing on OMB. Testimony was heard from Peter Orszag, Director, OMB.

### **MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Air Force Budget. Testimony was heard from GEN Norton A. Schwartz, USAF, Chief of Staff, Department of Defense.

### **STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs held a hearing on U.S. Agency for International Development, Millennium Challenge Corporation, and on Office of Global AIDS Coordinator. Testimony was heard from Alonzo Fullgham, Acting Administrator,